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Country/ entity	Syria
Region	Middle East and North Africa
Agreement name	Points of the Truce with the People's Protection Units (YPG)
Date	24 Apr 2014
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict (Syrian Conflicts (1948 -) (1976 - 2005) (2011 -))
Stage	Ceasefire/related
Conflict nature	Inter-group
Peace process	Syrian Local Agreements
Parties	Joint Operations Room of Ahl al-Sham [Signed] People's Defence Units [Signed]
Third parties	-
Description	Short ceasefire agreement between the Joint Operations Room of Ahl al-Sham and the People's Defence Units (YPG), calling for increased mobility, an exchange of prisoners, the facilitation of living conditions in areas under YPG control, a ban on unannounced checkpoints and a continuation of the siege on Nabil and al-Zahra areas.

Agreement document [SY_140424_YPG-Ahl al-Sham Truce_EN.pdf](#)  | [Download PDF](#)

Agreement document (original language) [SY_140424_YPG Ahl al-Sham Truce_AR.pdf](#) | [Download PDF](#)

Local agreement properties

Process type Informal but persistent process

Rationale -> Local issues only; no external support mechanism; culture of signing No formally-established mechanism supported the negotiation between the signing parties. Moreover, this agreement cannot be linked to the national peace process. Indeed, both groups have a Salafist or separatist ideology; they oppose the rule of Bashar al-Assad in Syria and reject the idea of a national negotiation to solve the conflict. Yet, it seems that both signing parties choose to solve daily pragmatic issues related to their armed struggle through agreements (especially the YPG). Although one cannot speak of a “culture” of signing peace agreements, the parties are involved (in a non-proactive and non-conscious way) in a persistent practice of signing local agreements.

Is there a documented link to a national peace process?

Link to national process: articulated rationale No link to the national peace process in Syria is mentioned in the agreement, neither it can be inferred from further research. First, the agreement does not involve local governance actors; and the signing parties themselves are not official state representative. Second, all parties to the agreement reject the national peace process, as it would maintain Bashar al-Assad and the Syrian government in power.

Name of Locale Aleppo

Nature Of Locale Region

GPS Lat/Long (DD) 36.371434, 37.003715

Participant type Local armed group

Mediator, facilitator or similar No mention of mediator or similar

Local issues

Ritual/prayer and process (including use of scripture) No specific mention.

Grievance List Although the agreement does not refer to specific causes of the conflict, it lists seven provisions to address local grievances.

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1. The interim truce in Aleppo and the surrounding country is the 'first stage' between the Joint Operations Room of Ahl al-Sham and People's Defence Units.

2. Continuation of traffic on the roads belonging to the two parties by prior agreement and official documentation specifying the destination and make of car sealed by Ahl al- Sham.

3. Exchange prisoners between the parties 'whitening the prisons'.

4. Facilitate living conditions of the inhabitants of YPG areas.

5. Forbid the establishment of military checkpoints except when both parties have prior knowledge in the areas under the influence of the YPG.

6. Provide for the siege on the areas of Nabil and al-Zahra and prevent the movement of all human elements in the region.

7. This six-month agreement can be extended

Cattle rustling/
banditry No specific mention.

Social cover No specific mention.
